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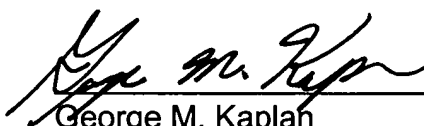
The claims in the application are 1-22.

Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The claims have been amended for formal reasons and to eliminate all multiple dependencies. The specification has also been amended for formal reasons, with the Abstract formally inserted.

Early favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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